

The following veto message was taken from the President's desk and read:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, STATE OF TEXAS,
AUSTIN, April 16, 1873.

Hon. E. B. Pickett, President of the Senate:

SIR: I respectfully return to the Senate, where it originated, the act entitled "An act to incorporate the Texas Library and Publishing Company."

This act proposes to make the Governor and the Superintendent of the Blind Asylum members, in their official capacity, of a corporation gotten up apparently for purely private purposes.

And I call the attention of the Senate especially to the strange provisions of section four, which seems to look to an engagement on the part of the State, through its officers, to carry on a system of musical concerts.

Probably this act, among the crowd of private legislation with which the calendars of the Senate and House are encumbered, has slipped through without notice of its absurd provisions.

I respectfully ask that the same be reconsidered.

Very respectfully,

EDMUND J. DAVIS, Governor.